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UPon *Tuesday* last, being the 16 day of this instant month of *August*, the House of Commons received a Letter from Mr. *Fines*, Son to the right Honourable the Lord *Say*, (who had the Charge of the Ordinance, in the absence of the Lord *Brooke*) the said Letter was directed to Mr. *Pym*, an Honourable and worthy member of the Commons House: and at the comeing of the said house, Mr. *Pym* acquainted them with it, and openly read the same in the presence of all those members that were sitting there.

The Substance and Forme of the said Letter, is Declared and laid open in these ensuing Particulars.

The Letter.

OUt of the love and affection, which I bear unto you, I thought it very expedient to acquaint you with our proceedings in these parts, which I have here briefly set down, as followeth.

The Earl of *Northampton* having no sooner had information, that the Volunteers, that came out of *Hartfordshire* were returned back again, by reason of a forged Letter, that was sent unto them, by the plot and procurement of the said Earl in the name of Mr *Hambden*, desiring them to return back again, pretending that there was no need of their going to *Banbury*, he immediatly marched towards *Banbury* with 600. horse, and comming thither, he commanded the said town to be restored up into his custody, but the Inha-

Inhabitants of the said town would not consent therto, but resolved rather to spend their dearest lives in the defence of both Houses, then to prove false and treacherous unto them.

The Ordinance and Ammunition that were in *Banburie*, was carryed to the Lord *Say* his House, and Mr. Fines is Resolved to lose his dearest blood in the defence and preservation of them, and if it were possible, would break them in pieces, rather then the Earl of *Northampton* should have them to imploy against the *Parliament*.

The House of Commons having spent some time in debate of these tydings, immediatly drew up an Order, and resolved that the Lord *Brooke* should go down with all speed, with those Forces that are raised here, to preserve the peace and safety of that County.

The said Lords and Commons have also given him power and command to raise the Country, and to kill and slay all those that shall oppose him.

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These particulars aforementioned was agreed on by the Honourable House of Commons, and having prepared and made ready the Orders and Commissions that were to be granted to the Lord *Brookes*, they sent a message to the Lords to Desire their concurrence therein, which they accordingly agreed and consented to, and it was forthwith dispatched by the Lords.

These are the Orders of both Houses of *Parliament*, concerning the Lord *Brookes*, Lord Lieutenant of *Warwickshire*.

Both Houses of *Parliament* hath also taken into consideration the proceedings of the Earl of *Northampton*, and after some time of debate thereupon, it was Ordered, that the Lieutenant of the County of *Buckingham*, Mr. *Hampden*, and Mr. *Goodwin* (being both made Colonels) should goe down into *Buckingham-shire* to raise Forces in that County, and to march with them towards *Banbury*, for the preservation thereof against the Earl of *Northampton*.

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But it was reported in both houses of *Parliament* for certain, that the Earle of *Northampton* hath taken the *Ordinance* and *Magazine* that were at *Banbury*, and carryed them to *Warwicke*, and hath planted them against the Castle, and hath also gathered together a great Number of men, being credibly reported, 14 or 1500 at the least, and that Mr. *Fines* when he saw that he was no waies able to make resistance, delivered up the Ordinance, so that there was no hurt done, the Town's-men being willing that the Ordinance should be carryed away, thereby thinking to free themselves of the present fears, and danger they were in.

The said Earl of *Northampton* hath also since his besieging the Castle of *Warwick*, made many attempts against it, and indeavoured to beat down the Walls of the said Castle, thinking thereby to obtain it, but he was prevented of that damnable project; for the Inhabitants that were within, seeing the Resolution of *Spencer*, and that he were mounting his Ordi-

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nance against them, forth with discharged three of their Brasse Pieces against the Pioners that were raising of *Fortifications* and *Bulwarks*, and slew about the Number of 12, or 13. men.

There was intelligence also brought to both Houses of *Parliament* from *Portsmouth*, declaring the proceedings of one Mr. *Norton*, one of the *Deputy Lieutenants* for *Hampshire*, relating, that he had [illegible] the works, that Colonel *Goring* [illegible] king at the Bridge, three mi[illegible] Town, with 200. men, which [illegible] in the *Parliaments* name.

They were also informed, that the Cavaleers that are in the said town of *Portsmouth*, do steal away, so that he hath in the town not above 200. souldiers.

Hen. Elsing Cler. Par. D. Com.

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